

Appendix G
Tribal Consultation



May 9, 2006

Ed Arthur
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Dear Mr. Arthur:

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The proposed power plant site is zoned for heavy industrial marine use and is currently undeveloped. A new rail spur would be required and would be located adjacent to the mainline system for a distance of 4000 feet. Previous geotechnical investigations indicate that at the power plant site native soil is buried beneath 10 to 15 feet of fill. A new natural gas pipeline would also be required and would be approximately 4.5 miles in length. The pipeline route would follow existing road right-of-way, mostly on Port of Kalama land or local road right-of-way, would cross the Kalama River, and traverse the Town of Kalama in a roadway along the shoreline of the Columbia River.

One archaeological site was identified during the record search at the Washington Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation. Site 45CW5, a village site located on the south bank of the Kalama River, may fall along a proposed alternate for the related pipeline. URS recently conducted a cultural resources survey of the project area, however no cultural resources were identified in spite of intensive survey of the area around site 45CW5. No subsurface probing was conducted during this initial reconnaissance.

URS is attempting to identify and record all cultural resources within the project's Area of Potential Effects, and, if needed, provide recommendations for their proper management. Project design has not been specified with regard to whether the pipeline would be constructed completely within areas of previous disturbance, such as roadways and levees, or not. Subsequently, project effects to site 45CW5 cannot be determined. A different alternate may be selected that would avoid this site altogether. URS will propose additional recommendations once project design is more specific; these may include, but are not limited to, site avoidance, subsurface reconnaissance probing, site evaluation, site mitigation, and monitoring during construction.

We would like to incorporate any concerns that the Chinook Nation may have with this project early in the planning process. If you would like to provide information regarding properties, features, or materials within the APE that may be of concern to the Chinook Nation, or if you have any comments or recommendations for this project, please contact me directly at (503)-478-7660 or at sarah_mcdaniel@urscorp.com. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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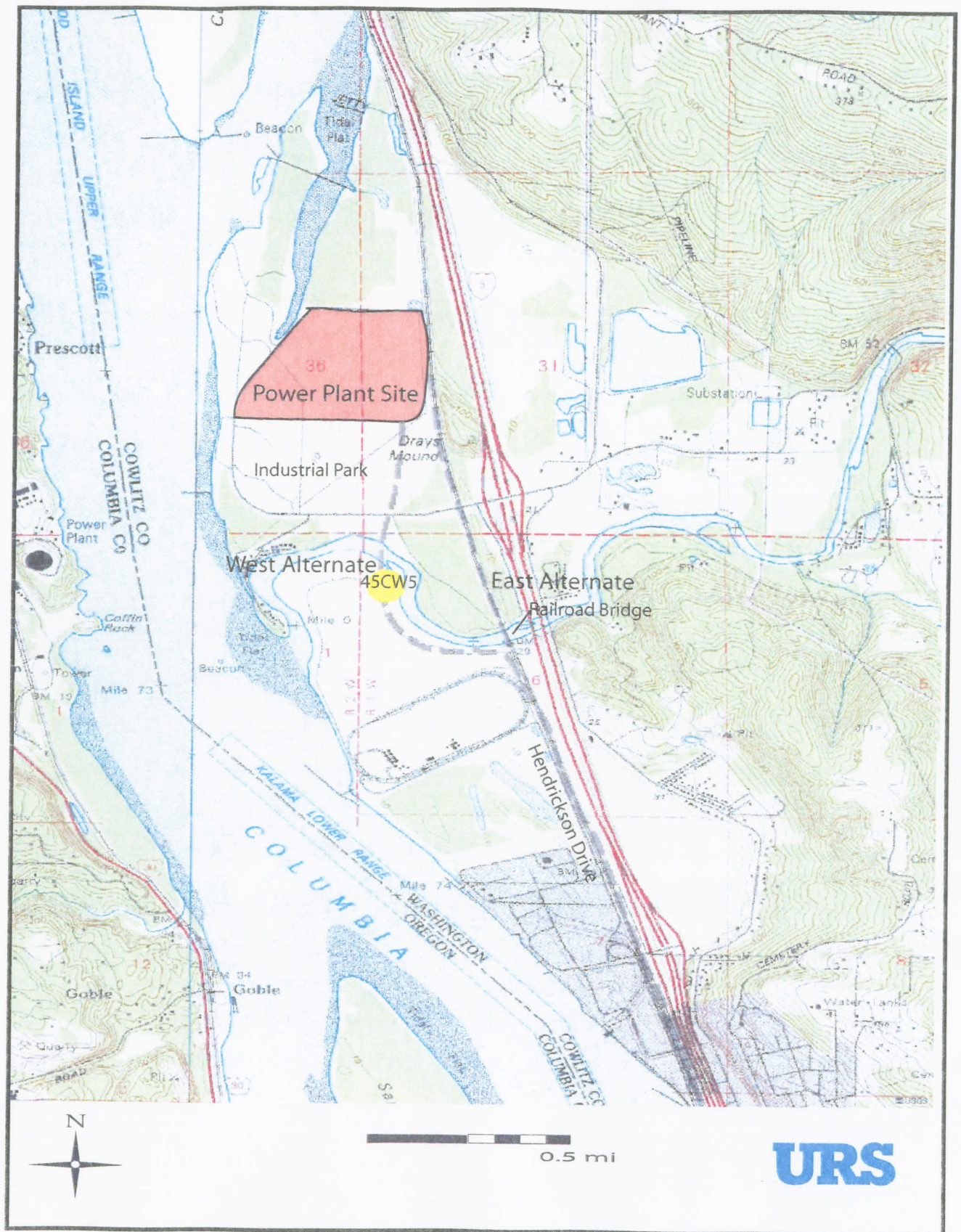


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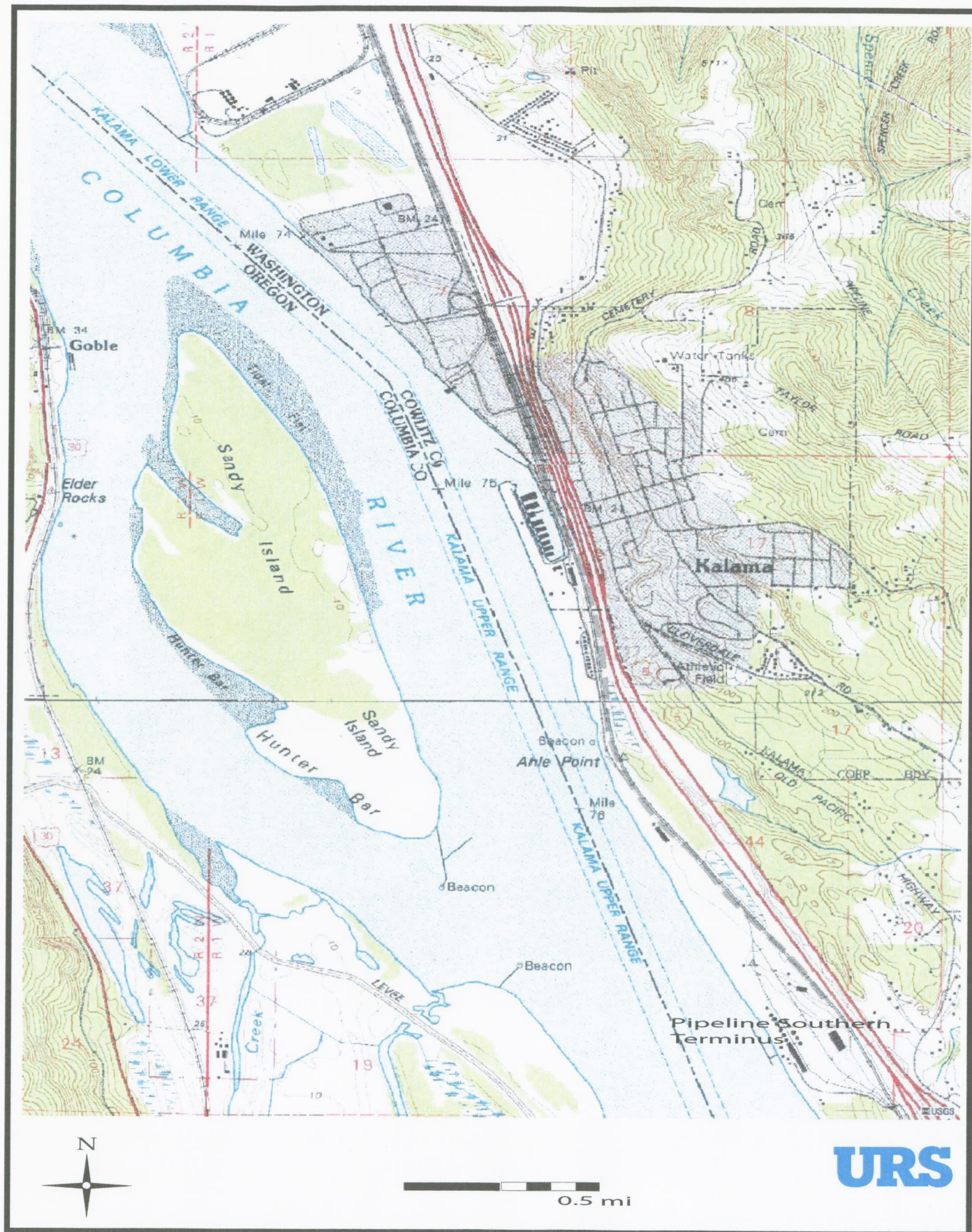


Figure 2. Portion of USGS 7.5' Series Cathlamet and Deer Island quadrangles, showing the location of the southern segment of the proposed pipeline (dashed line).



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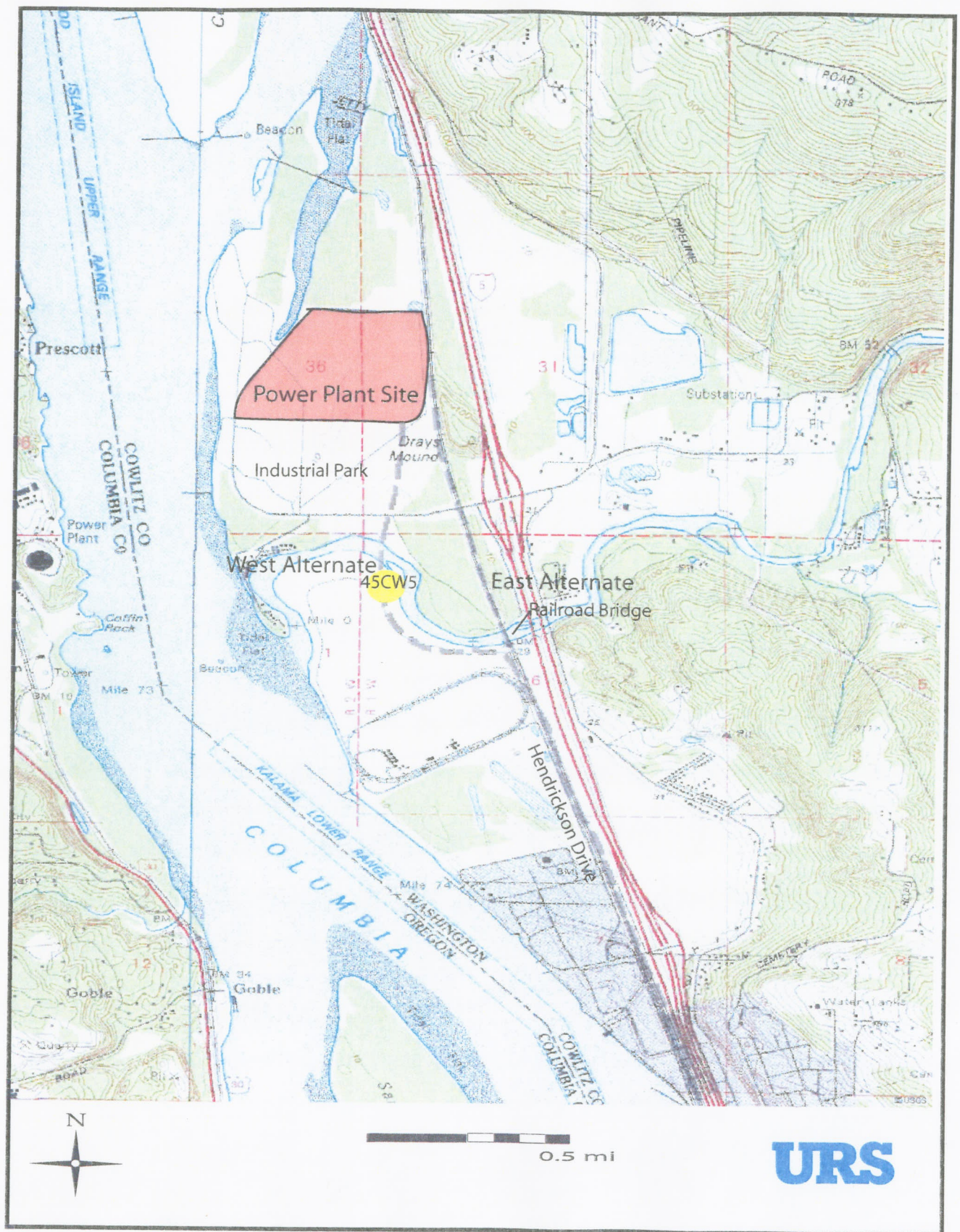


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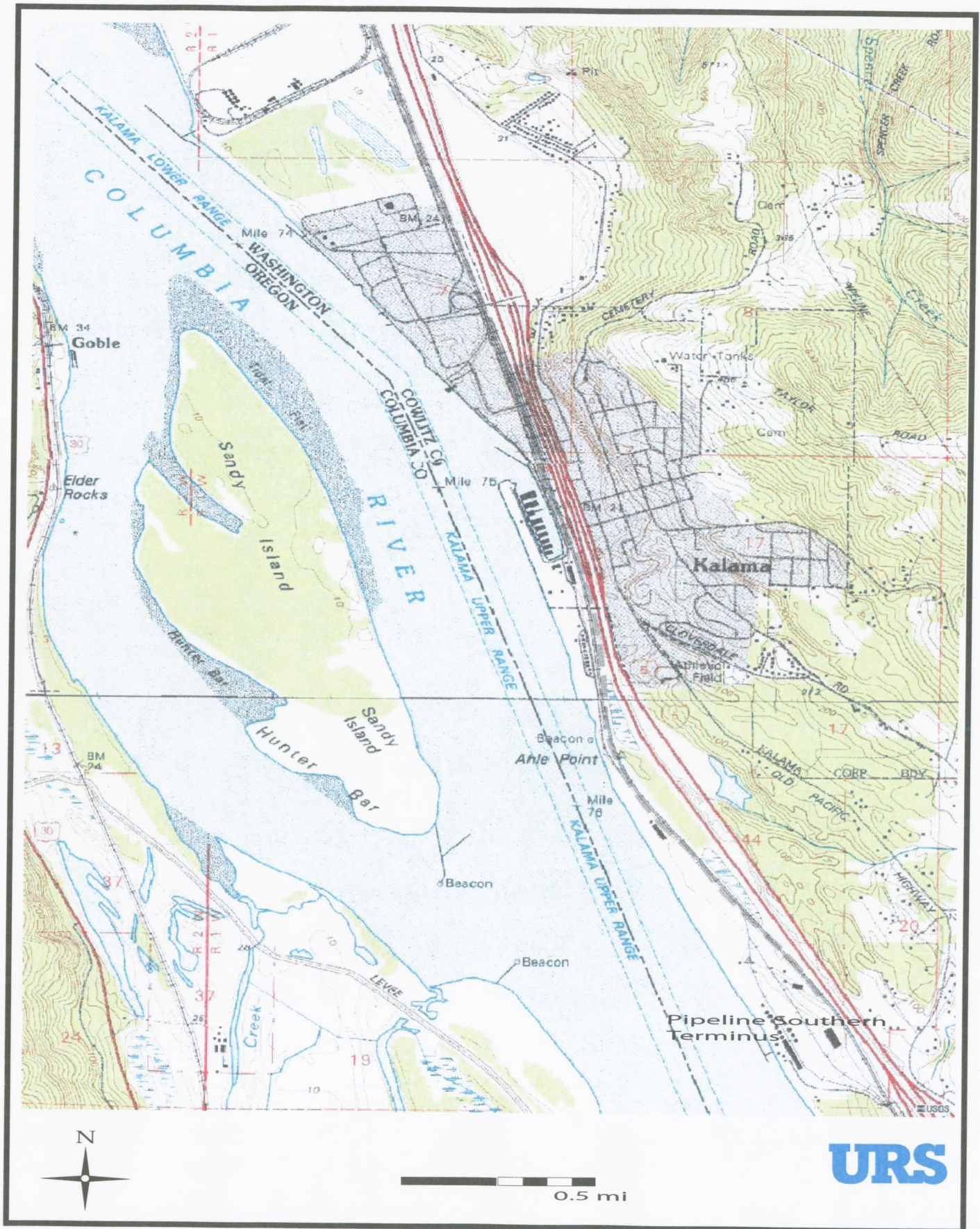


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